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Fresh-water anglers who fished for much-needed wartime recreation as well as for food poured \$10,580,311 in revenue into the treasuries of the 48 States by the purchase of 8,280,232 fishing licenses during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1945, according to a tabulation submitted today to Acting Secretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman by Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, director, Fish and Wildlife Service.

Compared with the previous year when 7,830,477 licenses were sold for \$9,840,073, the 1944-45 season totals show an increase of 449,755 in licenses and \$740,238 in revenue received by the various States.

California exceeded all other States in revenue received with \$903,237. Minnesota ranked second with \$741,047, followed by Michigan with \$693,670; Wisconsin, \$671,365; Pennsylvania, \$622,306; New York, \$575,956; Indiana, \$406,339; Washington, \$394,612; Oregon, \$384,194; and Ohio, \$350,520.

In the number of licenses sold, Michigan led with 667,545. Indiana was second with 564,045, followed by Ohio with 562,215; Minnesota, 497,797; California, 446,503; Illinois, 412,443; Wisconsin, 392,667; New York, 392,473; Pennsylvania, 385,648; and Missouri, 358,359.

Non-resident licenses during the 1944-45 season amounted to 757,859, an increase of 135,951 over the preceding year.

The appended tabulation summarizes the number of licenses issued and the revenues collected.

ANGLING LICENSE SALES
July 1, 1944, to June 30, 1945

State	Resident	Non-Resident	Total Licenses	Fees Paid By Anglers
Alabama	41,414	1,964	43,378	\$47,836
Arizona	33,568	3,195	36,763	63,105
Arkansas	33,856	15,688	49,544	101,069
California	441,426	5,077	446,503	903,237
Colorado	164,030	18,169	182,199	172,728
Connecticut	51,314	2,532	53,846	163,701
Delaware	2,465	879	3,344	7,974
Florida	73,282	18,899	92,181	166,294
Georgia	53,746	600	54,346	69,389
Idaho	125,586	15,391	140,977	171,825
Illinois	400,534	11,909	412,443	327,933
Indiana	537,961	26,084	564,045	406,339
Iowa	224,743	3,755	228,498	200,070
Kansas	136,463	2,401	138,864	140,736
Kentucky	69,835	5,226	75,061	79,889
Louisiana	25,755	7,484	33,239	51,952
Maine	88,390	33,282	121,672	195,903
Maryland	28,892	5,087	33,979	61,309
Massachusetts	139,630	3,429	143,059	254,160
Michigan	511,692	155,853	667,545	693,670
Minnesota	440,962	56,835	497,797	741,047
Mississippi	4,718	4,857	9,575	21,683
Missouri	343,372	14,987	358,359	308,991
Montana	99,472	7,257	106,729	123,572
Nebraska	112,394	2,046	114,440	105,251
Nevada	13,167	1,732	14,899	23,743
New Hampshire	59,713	33,782	93,495	175,094
New Jersey	79,191	4,958	84,149	173,598
New Mexico	33,674	14,081	47,755	105,688
New York	381,654	10,819	392,473	575,956
North Carolina	60,671	6,047	66,718	92,639
North Dakota	28,580	55	28,635	14,455
Ohio	552,521	9,694	562,215	350,520
Oklahoma	198,030	17,660	215,690	285,100
Oregon	143,447	6,232	149,679	384,194
Pennsylvania	375,933	9,715	385,648	622,306
Rhode Island	12,033	186	12,219	15,671
South Carolina	14,846	1,962	16,808	46,705
South Dakota	60,110	4,754	64,864	74,850
Tennessee	139,582	21,478	161,060	170,362
Texas	142,590	4,965	147,555	141,809
Utah	68,071	2,717	70,788	103,473
Vermont	54,809	15,531	70,340	101,092
Virginia	137,520	6,583	144,103	152,676
Washington	286,909	7,698	294,607	394,612
West Virginia	178,404	9,310	187,714	204,081
Wisconsin	265,013	127,654	392,667	671,365
Wyoming	50,405	17,360	67,765	120,659
United States	7,522,373	757,859	8,280,232	\$10,580,311

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